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## Woman's firing tied to hiring rift

By Dennis Grubaugh  
Staff writer

VENICE — A woman hired Thursday and fired Friday as a dispatcher in the city police department feels her dismissal was prompted by a disagreement over her hiring between Alderman John Ervin and Mayor Tyrone Echols.

Zenetta Buckels, 21, said she got the job through Ervin, but lost it on Friday after being told that the mayor had promised the job to someone else.

Buckels' story began about two weeks ago when she was told by a friend to see her alderman about getting a job in Venice. Her alderman is Ervin. She told Ervin that she was trying to get a job on the McKinley Bridge, and Ervin told her to see the mayor. Echols, however, told her nothing was available.

She went back to Ervin, who then called Police Chief Earl Reed while she was present.

After a brief conversation, Ervin hung up and advised her to come back later, she said.

Later, Ervin told her to call Reed about a job. She did, last Thursday, and Reed told her she could start immediately on the 10:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. shift.

She accepted the job, and said a police officer even showed up at her door later in the day to take her to work.

Once she was there, Buckels said, Reed briefed her on the position and introduced her to other staff members, including Sgt. James Bennett, who was supposed to help train her. On Thursday, her first day, she put in approximately four to five hours, she said.

The next morning she returned to continue her training. "Friday, I went in at 6:40. I was supposed to be there at 7. By 7:50 the comptroller, Roseanne (Kowker), came in and gave me my W-2 and insurance forms."

"At about 9 a.m. Mayor Echols came in. He and I have known each other for a long time, because I was friends with his daughter (Tyla). This morning, though, he didn't speak to me. I figured he was just busy," Buckels said.

By 1:30 in the afternoon, the police chief came in, talked to some officers, exchanged brief greetings with Buckels and left. Buckels said she didn't know what was happening until about 2:40 Friday when Sgt. Bennett came in. He took Buckels aside and said, "I hate to be the bearer of bad tidings, but the mayor is mad," Buckels said. Bennett told her,

"He feels Mr. Ervin has

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## Police ranks abolished

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Aldermen voted Tuesday to give the city a clean slate regarding the ranks and structure of the police department.

The City Council unanimously passed an ordinance repealing the portions of the city's manning ordinance regarding the police department, in effect eliminating most of the mandated ranks in the department.

The action comes on the heels of an article in Sunday's *Press-Record/Journal* revealing the police department has nearly one supervisor for every patrolman on each shift. It also comes less than a week before the city and the police union are scheduled to go to arbitration on an unsettled contract.

The repealed manning ordinance had established the following numbers: "a chief of police, one lieutenant colonel, three cap-

tains, four lieutenants of police, 11 sergeants of police, and 33 patrolmen."

Second Ward Alderman Jim Miller, when asked if the action was related to contract negotiations with the police union, said: "It was. I think it was directly tied to negotiations. I would not have any other idea why the action was taken."

Because the manning ordinance superseded all previous ordinances in conflict with it, its repeal would appear to leave the department without any structural requirements regarding rank.

Theoretically, officials concede, all officers could now be promoted to the rank of patrolman, or promoted to the rank of captain.

But more likely, they said, the change makes it possible to prevent promotions previously considered automatic, thereby eliminating positions in the higher pay brackets.

Also, under the current contract, officers serving in a position of a higher rank than

their own, even temporarily, are paid the difference in "rank differential."

The *Press-Record/Journal* article, based on a copy of the official flow chart for the police department, revealed that each shift of eight patrolmen has seven direct-line supervisors, three sergeants, a lieutenant, a captain, a lieutenant colonel and a colonel.

Police Chief Don Knight has justified the department's structure by saying the nature of police work requires close supervision.

Dewey Melton, spokesman for the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, said, "No one has mentioned this (yet) to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners."

It is the board's responsibility to determine promotions, and Melton said, "I would assume this means we would not be required to promote officers automatically when a position is vacated."

"In fact," he said, "it would appear that

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## Church custodian 'trashes' council

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — The City Council got trashed Tuesday night when an irate church custodian heaved a plastic bag full of litter at several aldermen.

Oliver Gilleland, custodian at First Assembly of God Church, 24th Street and Grand Avenue, told the council that a construction crew applying shingles to a new roof on the police station, directly across from the church, violated litter laws by allowing paper to become scattered about the area.

The paper, used to bundle shingles, was

not disposed of properly by the crew from Tindell Construction Co., according to Gilleland. A strong wind blew the paper around the neighborhood, including across Madison Avenue and onto the church parking lot.

One of Gilleland's responsibilities at the church is to maintain the parking lot, keeping it free of debris, he said. He said police officers "did nothing, when the law was being broken right under their noses."

Gilleland said he called the police station and, when officers declined to take action, later called the mayor's office. He said police said there was no one to answer his call to the mayor's office at 2 p.m. He then called the police a second time, telling

the receptionist he had "better things to do than pick up trash."

He informed the department he was prepared to make a citizen's arrest.

During his address to the council, Gilleland said that "the lieutenant on duty refused to take any action."

"If a private citizen would have done that," he began to say.

At that point, Gilleland threw a small plastic bag filled with trash in the direction of the council, startling several of the aldermen and invoking the wrath of the mayor. Gilleland was subsequently removed from the chambers by Police Chief Don Knight.

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THE LINE GOES OUT the door and into the parking lot of the Super One-Stop Shop Wednesday afternoon as people from around the area flock to purchase lotto Chain of Rocks Road Wednesday afternoon as people from around the area flock to purchase lotto tickets.

(Staff Photo by Pam Doepke-Hurd)

## Lotto fever

Interest peaks as jackpot jumps

GRANITE CITY — Three winning tickets were sold for last night's \$60 million Illinois Lotto jackpot, including one in Cahokia. But the names of the winners may not be known for some time, depending on when they are willing to come forward. The other winners were in Zion and Waukegan, officials said.

Ticket holders were holding their breath Wednesday night waiting to find out if they could cash in on the second largest Lotto jackpot in the state's history. Sales outlets throughout Metro East were lined with people earlier this week all chasing the elusive prize.

Meanwhile, lottery officials reported that last weekend was the busiest weekend of sales in the history of the game.

Margaret Pearson, a lottery spokeswoman, said no one had won the Lotto since two Chicago-area individuals split \$24 million Feb. 20.

Pearson said the three top-grossing lottery agents in the state are located in the Metro East area: Super One Stop on Illinois 3 in Granite City; Lotto Maul in Cahokia; and Route 3 Liquors in Suquet.

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Leroy Curtis

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Results in Illinois were:  
March 16: 686; Pick 4: 0522  
Lotto Game  
04 13 24 25 43 50  
March 17: 600; Pick 4: 3106  
March 18: 596; Pick 4: 2421  
Little Lotto Game  
02 03 11 30 33  
March 19: 922; Pick 4: 0951  
March 20: 289; Pick 4: 2850  
Lotto Game  
07 09 19 29 32 53  
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## 75 years ago

Thursday, March 21, 1916  
The attorney for the Anti-Saloon League announced that details for finishing touches on the campaign of the league in city, township and village liquor options elections would be completed at the meeting of "dry leader" in Chicago.

## Trivia

How many airfields are there in Illinois?

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## Court to be asked to decide Hamm's offices

MADISON — John Hamm still believes there is nothing wrong with serving on the City Council and the School Board at the same time, but it looks like he will be telling that to a judge.

"I still feel comfortable that I can hold both offices," he said Wednesday. "I thought this thing was resolved when (State's Attorney) Bill Haine issued his opinion, but evidently the majority of the City Council feels it wasn't."

On Tuesday, aldermen by a 5-2 vote instructed City 6 attorney Casper Nighobossian to take the Hamm issue to the Madison County Circuit Court in order to get a judge to resolve it "once and for all."

Hamm was already an alderman when

elected to the Board of Education in 1989. He is unopposed for re-election as alderman in the April election.

In 1987, then-Illinois Attorney General Neil Hartigan issued an opinion that simultaneously holding elected municipal and school district offices was prohibited under state statutes. That opinion, however, has not been tested in court.

Although he acknowledged the attorney general's past opinion, Haine issued an opinion on Hamm earlier this year, said the two positions are not in conflict. Haine said Hamm is not in conflict with Hamm from either office.

The Madison School Board and its legal staff accepted Haine's opinion.

Nighobossian, however, said he never felt comfortable with Haine's opinion and, on Tuesday, recommended the council pursue the matter in court.

After a long and often heated discussion, the aldermen voted on a motion by Norris Horton and second by Ron Grzywacz to pursue it in court. Aldermen Jim Caffrey and Michael Vrabec voted against the motion.

Hamm, who did not participate in the discussion, abstained from the vote.

"There were a lot of things said last night, but I'm standing firm on what I've said in the past," Hamm said. "I don't really understand what prompted (the council's) action."

## No circus in city this year

GRANITE CITY — The Shrine Circus won't be coming to Granite City after all, but efforts are under way to keep it nearby.

On March 5, the school board, in a divided vote, agreed to allow the circus to be held at the high school football field, based on an oral agreement with board member Kelly Hogan, representing the Shrine.

Hogan told the board the Shrine had lost the traditional site at the Tri-City Speedway and the football field was the only acceptable site locally.

But, according to Ivy Slate, attorney for Anstad Temple Shrine, contract negotiations on Tuesday evening reached an impasse "on minor issues."

As a result, Slate said, both parties agreed the circus would have to be held elsewhere.

Both Slate and School Board President Roy

Koberna said the negotiations ended amicably.

Koberna was one of two board members who opposed the original agreement at the March 5 meeting. Koberna and Slate each said the agreement prepared by the school district contained procedures the Shrine was unwilling to meet, but both declined to be more specific.

"So we just decided it would be best for all parties if we just dissolved the agreement and if they held the circus elsewhere," Koberna said.

Although Hogan previously told the board that if it denied the use of the football field the circus would go to Alton, the Shrine is hoping to hold the circus at the Gateway International Raceway near Madison. A spokesman said there is a contract pending with Gateway officials.

## Recycling project will finance school activities

Area students and schools interested in participating in the Kids Can Recycle aluminum drive to earn money for extracurricular activities can call (314) 726-3346.

The drive started March 13 and ends April 16. The drive will gather both the traditional beverage cans, as well as the heavier aluminum products, such as abandoned products.

Drive sponsors are Recycled Products International Trade Association, Missouri Energy Resources Project, World Resources Ltd., Reynolds Aluminum and the *Suburban Journals*.

Winners will be announced April 21 at the first Environmental EXPO at Kiel Auditorium.





## In the Gulf

This feature will run in the Journal, as space allows, for the duration of the war in the Persian Gulf. Those who wish to submit similar announcements may bring them to the Journal newsroom. The items will be run in the order submitted.

### Larry Birkner heads for Gulf

First Lt. Larry T. Birkner of Granite City received orders to report to Fort McCoy, Wis., on March 1 to join the 82nd Transportation Company, Belleville. His unit left March 5 for Saudi Arabia, where he will be involved in cleanup operations and the repair and transportation of supplies and equipment. Birkner was assigned to the 657th Detachment Unit, also out of Belleville, last October. He had served with the 82nd Transportation Co. for 6½ years prior to being transferred to the 657th. He will be promoted to the rank of captain on July 4, 1991. Originally from Hecker, Ill., Birkner is a mechanical engineering graduate from the University of Missouri at Rolla. He is employed by National Steel Corp. as manager of basic oxygen furnace maintenance in Granite City.

Birkner is married to the former Tammy Adams of Granite City. The couple has two sons, Spencer, 3, and Ross, 1. The officer also has a brother, Roger Birkner, who has been stationed in Saudi Arabia since Jan. 15.

Letters or cards will be welcomed and may be sent to: 1LT Larry T. Birkner, 892d TRANS. CO., 370th Quartermaster Bn., APO New York, N.Y. 09616.

"We have held each and every soldier serving in Operation Desert Storm in the highest regard from the beginning of Operation Desert Shield," said Tammy Birkner, the officer's wife.

"We've flown our flag, said many prayers, hung out yellow ribbons and cried over the lives lost. While we celebrated victory along with every other American, my husband has still been called away from his home and family and job to serve in Saudi Arabia.

"The war is not over for us.

"Other units will be joining the 892nd in the cleanup activities, repair and transportation of equipment and the momentous task of bringing the troops home — they, too, deserve the support that everyone stationed there since August has received.

"Remember them as we begin to welcome the troops home."

### David Shubert in Desert Storm



Army Reserve Specialist David G. Shubert of Granite City was called to active duty from Scott Air Force Base in December 1990.

He is now serving with the 18th Aviation Regiment in Operation Desert Storm in the Middle East.

The soldier is married to the former Tracy Weidner of Granite City.

They have a daughter, who is about 10 weeks old.

Prior to leaving for the Persian Gulf, Shubert was stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky., for a month and a half.

Shubert, 25, is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School. He is the son of R.G. and Rosa Shubert of Granite City.

### Eric Rogers, combat engineer

Eric Paul Rogers, son of Dorothy and Glen Rogers of Granite City, is now serving as a combat engineer in Saudi Arabia.

Rogers completed engineer training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., on Dec. 28 and volunteered for duty in Operation Desert Storm in the Persian Gulf area.

He left the United States on Feb. 13.

The soldier is the brother of Amber Rogers of Granite City.



## Rackiewicz new leader of Tri-Cities United Way

St. Elizabeth Medical Center's executive vice president, Paul Rackiewicz, has been elected president of the Tri-Cities Area United Way.

Rackiewicz was elected to assume the duties of retiring President Elmer Wortham. Other officers elected for the 1991 year are: Drew Karandjeff, vice president; Bob Maxwell, secretary; and Paul Costello, treasurer.

"I've been involved with the United Way for a number of years," Rackiewicz said. "I've found it a very meaningful experience."

"I'm privileged to have the opportunity to serve in the capacity of president. It is a pleasure to work with such a great group of volunteers."

Rackiewicz has served as vice president of the United Way's executive committee and was chairman of the 1988 fund drive.

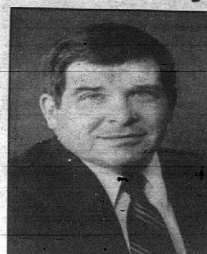
As president, Rackiewicz intends to carry on the United Way's traditions of volunteerism and community service.

"I would like to continue to expand the number of volunteers who participate in the various United Way activities," he said.

Rackiewicz said he would also like the United Way to offer more services to people in the community who are in need.

"I will work to continue to keep the United Way as strong as it is at this point, concentrating on cultivating the community to help maintain support for our agencies," he said.

An SEMC associate for 19 years, Rackiewicz is active in many professional associations and local community groups in



Paul Rackiewicz leads United Way

addition to the United Way. Additional United Way board members were also elected for three-year terms and will join existing members in overseeing the management, operation, planning and development of the organization.

Added to the board were Kemp Beall, R.C. Bush, Kathy Clark, Tom Colborn, Don Devaney, Al Hudzik, Jack Johnson, Drew Karandjeff, Terry Kohler, Jack Lee, Orville Mercer, Cindy Mills, Leo Mooney, Ed Mullins, Alan Ortdals, Ron Payton and Eric Robertson.

Standing committees will be chaired by Kathy Clark, communications; Leo Mooney and Ron Payton, allocations; Orville Mercer, priorities and planning; and Jack Lee, nominating.

## Granite Citian put on probation after 2 motorcycles are taken

A Granite City youth was sentenced to one year of probation March 3 for an offense related to a motor vehicle, authorities reported.

Circuit Judge A.A. Matossian also ordered James E. Meyer to pay \$752 in restitution.

The sentencing took place in Edwardsville.

The charge was reduced from a burglary charge.

A second count of burglary

was dismissed. The charge stemmed from a Sept. 9, 1990, incident in which Meyer allegedly took two motorcycles from Ron's Automotive in Collinsville.

Both motorcycles were recovered Sept. 12 by Pontoon Beach police.

Pontoon Beach officers had responded to a complaint of a dirt bike racing on Illinois Route 102.

## Pictorial salute to armed forces

Mayor Von Dee Cruise and the Granite City Ambassadors plan an ongoing pictorial salute to all members of the armed forces from Granite City.

Photographs of men and women serving in military, air and naval units will be displayed in the lobby of the City Hall, Nied, Ringhaus and Edison avenues.

The theme will be "Granite City salutes you," and it is hoped to honor all the sons, daughters, husbands, wives, brothers, sisters, fathers and mothers who are in uniform.

"Please send a wallet-sized, color photo of your honoree in uniform to the Mayor's Office, City Hall, 2000 Edison Ave., Granite City 62040 or bring it in personally," the mayor said this week.

"Please have the name, rank, military organization and Granite City telephone number printed on the back of the picture."

"This project is important to our families and our community, so please get the photographs to us as soon as possible."

## Annual 'Y' dinner Tuesday

The Tri-City Area YMCA will hold its 72nd annual dinner meeting Tuesday, March 26, at the Elks Lodge, 4801 Maryville Road, Granite City.

Included in the evening's program is a cash bar at 6:30, dinner, entertainment and a great speaker. Ray Sonnenberg, retired executive director of the Southwest Illinois YMCA. Sonnenberg is a well-known inspirational speaker.

Larry A. Calvo, a Granite City attorney, will be toastmaster for the evening.

Tickets may be obtained on a first-come, first-served basis at the YMCA. The cost for the evening will be \$10 per person.

Space is limited, a spokesman said. For more information, the YMCA can be called at 876-7200.

## Man pleads guilty to robbing McDonald's

By David Migoya Staff writer

BELLEVILLE — A 35-year-old Granite City man who was shot in the leg by a security guard after the man robbed a fast-food restaurant in East St. Louis pleaded guilty Monday to armed robbery.

St. Clair County prosecutors agreed to recommend no more than 15 years in prison for Demetrius Tucker of the 2200 block of Benton Street.

He robbed the McDonald's Restaurant at 801 St. Louis Ave. in East St. Louis on Dec. 2.

Tucker also was charged with aggravated assault, but that charge was dropped as part of a plea agreement. Tucker could have faced up to 30 years in prison on the armed robbery charge.

He went into the restaurant at about 6:30 p.m., ordered a meal, pulled a pistol and demanded money from the cash register as the clerk returned with the food, court records show.

Tucker left the restaurant with about \$80 cash and six gold rings from the clerk.

As he went into the parking lot, a security guard at the restaurant confronted him. Tucker fired two shots and then was hit in the leg when the guard returned the gunfire, prosecutors said.

"My family was having financial difficulties at the time," Tucker told Circuit Judge Lloyd Karmier.

Tucker is scheduled to be sentenced April 3. He is being held in the St. Clair County Jail in lieu of \$250,000 bond.

## Parolee charged with 2nd DUI

Madison County State's Attorney William R. Haine has charged Jeffrey A. Martin, 29, of the 100 block of Troecker Lane, Mitchell, with driving while his license was revoked and driving

under the influence Feb. 19 in Granite City.

The warrant says Martin had a June 1991 DUI conviction and is on parole from a May 1990 residential burglary charge.

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## Editorials

### Shaw in the 4th Ward

Fourth Ward voters have a clear choice in 1991. They can vote for a woman of clear conscience, who has shown herself a worthy community servant. Or they can vote for a headline maker who has frequently made the city look bad.

Sandra K. Shaw will do well on the Granite City Council. As effective as he has been in some ways, incumbent Dan Partney simply has presented two faces too many times. There is the man who has fought hard to bring progress to the 4th Ward. And there is the man who can't seem to keep his name out of the headlines. His continuing legal problems, political infighting, bare-knuckle brawls and devil-may-care attitude are enough for any one city, let alone a single ward. It's time to move ahead, by leaving baggage behind.

Sandy Shaw has pledged responsiveness, and we feel that given a chance she can be as adept as Partney at assisting constituents through the bureaucratic maze of city government. We doubt she'll have to throw any punches to do it. The 4th Ward needs attention. Two of its largest sectors, West Granite and North Granite, are in the most need of help drainage concerns. With curbing, street, crime, railroad and

Having attended city meetings regularly for years, Shaw will have a head start that most first-time aldermen do not. She has been a member of the city's Planning and Zoning Commission for eight years, and has attended City Council meetings for four years.

As a member of the plan commission, Shaw feels that some citizens, and even council members, do not realize the importance of zoning ordinances and the city's comprehensive plan. She favors following the plan and telling people reasons for particular actions. That is good. Nothing irks taxpayers more than to feel they are the victim of a city government that doesn't care.

Let's not let a worthy candidate get away.

### Why we can't back Partney

Everywhere he's gone in the last four years, trouble has followed Dan Partney. He blames politics, but we think Dan has been his own worst enemy.

In 1987 and 1988 he weathered allegations involving supposed cheating on police promotion tests, which was filed to have occurred while he was chairing the police and fire commission. Those charges were dropped once by a judge, eventually refuted and then withdrawn by the special prosecutor the day the trial opened when the attorney decided his evidence would not lead to conviction.

In 1989, Partney was involved in a Springfield brawl with a Pontoon Beach police officer who had been dating Partney's former wife. Of the matter, Partney says simply that he didn't throw the first punch, and he was taught long ago "not to run from a fight."

Later in 1989, in a case still unsettled in court, Partney became embroiled in a controversy over the legal residence of his brother, Don and Dave, both of whom signed affidavits that their legal residence was the same address as the family business, Granite Sheet Metal. Partney filed an affidavit attesting to the validity of the address. Subsequently the forms were challenged and all three men were charged with perjury.

A Madison County jury convicted the brothers in January 1990, but presiding judge Lola Maddox threw out the convictions, citing improper instructions to the jurors and Illinois statutes that do not specifically state the Partneys' actions constituted perjury. Maddox has since removed herself from the case, and it has been reassigned to the St. Clair County Circuit Court, though no judge has been found yet to try it.

For their part, the Partneys said they were following the advice of their attorney. Though Dan Partney remains confident, a perjury conviction would by law require him to resign his aldermanic seat.

Although attesting to the wrong address for voting purposes wouldn't seem to be much of a crime, it is the latest in a long line of controversy that Partney has been unable to avoid. We could never back an alderman who is going into an election unsure of whether he would last the entire four years. But then, given Partney's track record for controversy, we couldn't support him anyway.

### Asadorian in the 5th Ward

Ward 5 has three excellent candidates to replace the late Lloyd Bailey, but we think the edge goes to newcomer Eddie Asadorian.

He is an idealist, a term that sometimes conjures up negative images, but not for us. Asadorian knows what Ward 5 has been in the past and what it can be in the future. He is opinionated, knowledgeable, well spoken and practical.

He has some idea that the city could save money by cutting into waste areas, which many public officials dare not admit. That is appealing and all the more reason why the 5th Ward should vote for the man.

Shorttime incumbent Tom Candler, who was appointed to fill Bailey's vacancy in January, and newcomer David Bailey, the late alderman's nephew, both pledge to work for constituents, but they did not make as solid an impression. Asadorian is the only one of all city council candidates we've spoken with who said that cutting any services is tantamount to raising taxes. He's right. If you're paying for "X," amount of services now, but those services are decreased in any way, you're getting less for the same amount of money. Find waste before cutting services or employees, says Asadorian. We agree.

### Milton best for Ward 6

Voters should not hesitate to return Walter Milton to his role as 6th Ward alderman. He is a man who has given much to the community, in public and private service, and the kind of man we like to see in government.

Milton, 58, has served Granite City in various capacities for 26 years, including six years as 6th Ward alderman. He has also served on the park board, housing authority, chamber and other bodies.

In his role as finance committee chairman he has his work cut out for him. But he remains confident of the city's ability to stay in the black. Efforts made during the last couple of years convince him that the city is on track. New industry has come in. New growth along Route 3 is obvious. The council has been working fairly well together in the last year.

Opponent Richard Kelly is basing his campaign largely on solving the "major problem" of raw sewage flowing through streets and ditches in Granite City. But, as we all know, there are far more problems than just sewers.

## Letters

### Current backers opposed Warfield

To the editor:

I feel the recent ads for Mr. Warfield for superintendent of streets and his responses to the Press-Record's inquiries in the election profile require some average citizen's response.

I find curious the recent ad taken out by a number of the Democratic committeemen showing support for Warfield. Many of these same committeemen, on March 30, 1989, took out a large ad extremely critical of Warfield for an ad he had placed disparaging Hollis Donaldson.

The ad said: "What Mac and Mac Warfield did with this ad was evil! What the 'Friends of Mac Warfield' did to Hollis Donaldson was despicable!"

In addition, some of the committeemen endorsing Warfield are street department employees who were highly critical of Mac until very recently.

To Harrison's charge that Warfield has been failing in his snow removal, Warfield says that Harrison shouldn't criticize the street department employees who have been seen carrying a pickup truck and a car, when he can't drive the truck so he shouldn't criticize.

I inquired about this and I found out that Jug Harrison, who has 22 years of experience with the street department, has for years had a license to drive all kinds of vehicles and trucks on city time.

I also found that Warfield has assigned Harrison to duties inside the warehouse so that he can't be seen on the streets during this campaign. At the same time, Warfield and a city employee have been seen canvassing in the 7th Ward during daylight hours during the week on city time.

While loyalty may not be a requirement to perform the job as superintendent of streets, lack of loyalty is a serious problem in one seeking public office.

Warfield says in his profile he has no place to seek office in the next mayoral election. He can't think we voters have a short memory.

JERRY JACKSON  
Granite City

### Warfield's friends served, not others

To the editor:

Nameoki village put streets in Maryland Heights and then annexed into Granite City. The plan was to cut curbs, gutters, sidewalks, drainage and 60-foot-wide streets.

My abstract deed reads 60-foot wide and now it is only 18 feet wide, and nothing done since 1952. We have no place to walk, jog, push baby strollers, wheel chairs or ride bicycles.

There is no safety for children, pedestrians or parked cars, because of the way the drainage ditch, if you get hurt in the street, you are liable. That is the only place we walk.

We property owners put in our own driveways, which we pay Alderman Dawes and Workmen many times in person to correct the streets.

On May 1, 1989, I called Street Supt. Mac Warfield, and Jerry Lakin came out; I asked for dirt and driveway curbs to fill in the ditch and curbs the cars made. On May 19, 1989, I called Warfield again about the dirt; still nothing done as of August 1989.

I paid \$108 for driveway curbs plus my labor. On Oct. 13, 1989, I again called Warfield to come out and he said, "I gave you some dirt."

I said, "Yes, there it is in a very small hole. What about the main water hole with all the deep ruts, so I could cut the city called Alderman Dawes and Workmen. I don't know how tall the weeds get."

I said, "What if I get hurt cutting the city grass and weeds?" He said, "Don't go out there. It's the aldermen's job." I then called Alderman Dawes and Workmen the same morning; he came out and said, "It's the Street Department."

On Aug. 30, 1990, my wife and I talked to Assistant City Attorney Susan Bacon to have her come out to see what the complaint is about. She said she would come out and talk to us.

Since 1982 my wife and I paid over \$26,000 in property taxes at our present address and nothing has been done.

We always took care of the

city property the best we could. We have paid property taxes 47 years and then personal friends get what they need. It is a shame.

JOHN P. BOSICH  
Granite City

### Snow showed need for new leadership

To the editor:

I moved to Pontoon Beach within the last year from one of the neighboring communities, thinking I would have easy access to the major highway. And I did, until the winter storm hit.

The subdivision I live in was practically paralyzed by the snow and ice removal effort was terrible.

I made some calls and found out Pontoon Beach has no street department and that they rely on the (Nameoki) township to clear and maintain the streets.

The only candidate for village president who appears to be concerned about this is Michael Macek.

We need someone in leadership in Pontoon Beach who has the expertise to get the village back on its feet and to provide needed services.

I think we have found him. I urge everybody in Pontoon Beach to consider this and go to the polls — help elect Michael Macek as village president.

CHARLINE BURNS  
Pontoon Beach

### Partney a devoted servant of public

To the editor:

I was more than a little disappointed in the analysis of the 4th Ward aldermanic efforts of Dan Partney.

It seems to me that you sought to present a negative impression, politically motivated allegations against him. Buried on page 4B (continuation of the front-page article) are the many positive contributions Dana has made to our ward and our city.

It is no secret that Dan's political opponents instigated and perpetuated these baseless accusations. They are the individuals who would rather not compete for him.

His efforts would have been far less complicated had they been successful in getting Dan out of the race at the taxpayers' expense.

The real issue is what kind of alderman he possesses? Not only has he served four years as alderman but he represented us for eight years on the county Board, getting the job done.

Dana has always been readily accessible to answer questions and seek solutions for the problems of our people.

This afternoon, as I write this letter, there are 11 messages on our bulletin board for Dan. He has not yet returned, I know every call will be returned.

When I'm away from home answering calls is on. He takes calls at work and he is reached in his car and on his beeper. Even people from outside the city call him sometimes.

Our mayor has referred to Dan as one of our hardest working aldermen. Four years ago, your paper made note of his desire to serve the residents of Granite City. Voters who focus on the true issues will not be misled by your article.

Nowhere in your biased article do you mention that Dan is married, that he has four children, ages 18, 14, 12 and 6, and that he is a loving, devoted husband and father.

PAM PARTNEY  
Granite City

### Voters in Pontoon should check it out

To the editor:

We were appalled with the letter in the Press-Record from Edgar Patrick against the Chouteau Traces Tax Incremental Financing District and against Lou Whitsell, chairman of the TIF District, who is a candidate for trustee in the Village of Pontoon Beach.

Patrick knows full well that his letter is a 99 percent lie and so do the other candidates.

Resolution 88-05 authorizing a bond sale with a budget of \$1.3 million was to install streets, sewer lines, water lines and drainage for the proposed development, and to cover engineering, service, legal service, bond sale expenses and miscellaneous costs.

This \$1.3 million in bonds is to be paid back through the tax increment. The city will be paid back with the property tax that is created by the growth in the TIF District over 22 years. Only

\$1,183,000 was used. B.T.L. Enterprises, owner of the land, was to be paid \$580,000 from the TIF District bond sale. This amount was for the purchase of the highway frontage along Route 111, all the street rights of way, the drainage rights of way and a lake lot of 2.75 acres.

All of this has been decided over to the Village of Pontoon Beach. The agreement also stipulates that B.T.L. would buy back the bonds with the \$580,000 with a "hold harmless" agreement with the village.

The contract reads, without a doubt, that the village pays nothing whatever and the village is not responsible for the bonds in any way.

Legal opinions from three attorneys emphasize that only the bondholders can be held liable for payment if the district could not pay for itself. This TIF District is complete and self-supporting and will pay off the bonds early.

Why would Patrick try to infer that B.T.L. Enterprises will get \$211,000 an acre, when he himself is also a member of the TIF Committee and he never voted against any TIF proposals?

Why would he call this successful development, that has not and will never cost the Village a dime, "a disgraceful giveaway"? Is he just using this as a tool for his own election?

I urge the voters of Pontoon Beach to check this out for themselves before going to the polls on election day.

DEBRA D. MING  
Pontoon Beach

### Harrison praised as non-politician

To the editor:

Clayton "Jug" Harrison is not a politician and let's hope he never becomes one. I think of him as a person who is very much to be your public servant.

Because of an incident last winter at the Dobby Slough Pump Station, I, for one, would feel much safer if Clayton "Jug" Harrison were elected to the position of street superintendent for the city of Granite City.

HENRY HAWKINS  
Nameoki Township

### Village praised for restaurants, bank

To the editor:

This letter is in response to the letter written by Edgar Patrick of the Concerned Citizens Party of Pontoon Beach.

What a shame! It is ironic, nowadays, that candidates for office must twist and distort facts to try to make their opponents look bad.

Patrick and the other candidates of the Concerned Citizens Party know for a fact the payment in TIF (tax increment financing) funds for land was for all streets, easements, water, and utility easements and for approximately 15-17 acres.

What is really the truth is that without the TIF, which hasn't cost the taxpayers of Pontoon Beach one cent, there would be no McDonald's Restaurant, Omni Bank, Restaurant, and so on.

There would be no growth at that location without the TIF, which pays for itself.

It seems to be easier for Mr. Patrick to sit back, do nothing, and criticize than to attract

growth and progress. Pontoon Beach, under the current mayor, has gone from five square miles to 15 square miles through annexation. Sales taxes have more than doubled. The actions of Mayor Wilson and the progressive members on the board have benefited the community as a whole.

Instead of criticism and negative campaigning, why doesn't Mr. Patrick tell us what he intends to do for the city. Will the city grow if he is elected, or will it stagnate and fall into further despair?

It's time we go with positive growth and not with negative criticisms and distortions. We support the mayor and Mr. Whitsell, and their party, for election on April 2.

DIANNA BARTHELEMY  
JIM HILL  
THOMAS K. KECK  
Pontoon Beach

### Candidate would make city better

To the editor:

My friend Sandy Shaw is running for 4th Ward alderwoman in the coming election on Tuesday, April 2. I plan to support and vote for Sandy because she is a better person to be represented by aldermen and women who:

Are motivated by concern for the community and quality of life here, not ones who are seeking political power and advancement for themselves and their friends.

Have a reputation for personal integrity and do not have a history of accusations of fraud, cheating and family abuse.

Will be representatives we can be proud of, who have not been involved in public fights and legal actions which reflect on our community.

Are people who are not slick professional politicians, but want to live in order to make Granite City a better place to live, not as a steppingstone to other political offices.

Do not have political connections, have not made political deals, and do not have a political agenda except good government for Granite City.

Are people a lot like me — a citizen without a lot of money to spend on a campaign, but who care enough to run and serve the best interests of Granite City.

I believe my friend Sandy Shaw is this kind of person. If you want the same things for Granite City that I do, I hope you will join me in going to the polls on Tuesday, April 2 and vote for Sandy for alderwoman.

If she wins, we win.

MILDRED COLLINS  
Granite City

### Candidate talks of license, snowplows

To the editor:

Would you believe that I drove a snow plow in the winter of 1990 and, in the spring of 1990 and, in the fall of 1990, until the superintendent of streets beat a laborer out of overtime?

The laborer filed a grievance against me because of a "class A" driver license and he needed the CDL or a Class C or D.

He drove eight years on the job, he (Mac Warfield) checked driver's licenses. My license was a class A just like it was 21 years ago. I was told all I could drive was a pickup or panel truck.

To my surprise they got me a driver's book, a class C & D.

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# Lifestyle

## Twins are celebrated with party



Maxine Green

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-0252.

A bridal shower was given in honor of Kimberly Renee Green in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom (Kathy) Green. Relatives and friends attending were her great-grandmother, Lucille Martin; grandmother, Maxine Green; mother, Kathy Green; and Carol Moulden, her fiancée's mother. Also, Becky Lupardus, Lee Moulden, Sara Terrell and Dená Hawkins. Several games and bridal bingo were played and she received many beautiful gifts. Wedding plans are made for 5 p.m. April 6th at the Pontoon Baptist Church.

Stephanie and Kelly Mathes, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Leland (Kim) Mathes, celebrated their fourth birthdays Sunday afternoon at a party given by their parents. Attendees included their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John (Delores) Holton and Mr. and Mrs. Lee (Catherine) Mathes. Also Mr. and Mrs. Bob (Carla) Luckenbrock and daughter, Sarah, Mr. and Mrs. Tom (Kathy) Green Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Jerry (Brenda) Mathes and daughter, Vanessa and Cynthia, Mr. and Mrs. Ann Hendricks and daughter, Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Andy (Carol) Mathes and sons, Jason and Steven and Jack Mathes. Refreshments of birthday cake and ice cream were served.

On Good Friday, March 29, the Tri City Tabernacle, 3400 Maryville Road, will present the tabernacle choir and special music and anointed preaching. There will also be special communion. Call 931-4500 for more information.

March 19 has been declared as National Avon Representative Day. Granite City is included in the 019 district, which covers a large part of Illinois. Congratulations went out to all representatives whose dedication and spirit have touched lives of their friends, neighbors and co-workers with warmth, caring and professional pride, continuing an over 100-year tradition of bringing beauty into America's homes.

Birthday dinner for Mrs. Anna Michels was hosted by her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ray (Josephine) Uram, in their home on Saturday evening. The honoree received many nice gifts and family dinner was served to another daughter, Mrs. Josephine Uram, and Mrs. James (Mile) Stoffer of Peoria, Ill., (until recently from Flint, Mich.). Also Miss Mary Uram, Dr. John Uram and Stephen Uram of Granite City. Miss Christine Petrillo of St. Louis, Joseph Uram of Glen Carbon. Greetings from out of town grandchildren were received from Dr. and Mrs. Gary Maassen of Grand Fort AFB, N.D., Mr. and Mrs. Michel Stoffer, Greeley, Colo. (See GREEN, Page 8A)



JULIE BOKER of Granite City shows that Tina Turner isn't the only one who looks good in fishnet hose. Below, Boker displays a different kind of look—today's hosiery.

## Simply shocking in stockings

### Fishnet, stones change look of today's hosiery

By Jim Haverstick  
Staff writer

"In olden days a glimpse of stocking was looked on as something shocking, now heaven knows, anything goes."

Surely, when Cole Porter wrote those immortal words nearly 65 years ago he had no idea how wild hosiery was going to get.

Gone are the days when women wore plain, skin-tone nylons. Now stockings mean lace, fishnet and rhinestones.

Women want their legs to look as exciting as the rest of their outfit, so there is no holds barred as far as hose go.

"Textured hose are popular in the spring time, especially for Easter and proms," said Amy Hester, manager of Parklane Hosiery at St. Clair Square.

By textured, she means just about anything that isn't sheer.

For a night on the town, textured could mean a seam up the back, rhinestones on the ankle, roses embroidered up the side, gold bows in back or lace all over the place, she said.

Embroidered roses and a touch of sequin at the knee are popular all year, said Gary Adolph, manager of the apparel at a popular new item at Parklane is the monogram hose. The monogram is placed in embroidered gold thread on the ankle, Hester said.

However, the hose are not personalized. The same nondescript swirl of gold letters is sewn on every pair. No one seems to notice or care that the letters are not readable, she said.

Apparently young women don't care if they are mistaken for Tina Turner either. Fishnet is

making a comeback in a big way.

"Girls love black or white fishnets for prom," Hester said. "They even wear them over a pair of colored hose."

Women aren't likely to wear fishnets and lace thigh high around the office. These items are strictly for after dark, and at \$10 to \$15 dollars a pair, they are probably only going to be worn for special evenings out on the town.

As is typical of most precious things, they only last through a few evenings on the town.

For daytime, colored hose are much more appropriate. Spring calls for pastel colors such as peach, beige, ivory and mint.

Women prefer to have hose that match their clothes rather than just skin tones, Hester said.

It shouldn't come as any surprise to those who watch fashion trends that thigh high stockings and garter belts are coming back with a vengeance. They were popular 40 and 50 years ago so it is their turn again.

A big surprise, however, is leggings—hose that only cover the legs and not the feet.

"Black or white leggings with a little bit of lace at the bottom are really a hot item this year," Adolph said.

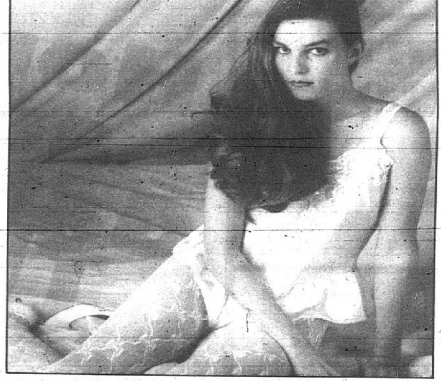
Young women are wearing leggings with short skirts, long sweaters, long, loose-fitting, flared dresses or long shorts with a Peter Pan collar. Granny-style boots, flats or even pumps are the most common styles of shoe worn with leggings.

Leggings look something like a cross between athletic wear and turn of the century underwear. But the touch of lace at the bottom helps to make them look soft and casual, said Mary Pavlik, hosiery buyer for Glick's in

Granite City. She added that the most popular colors are black and white, with an occasional pastel shade sticking a foot in the door.

Part of their popularity stems from the fact that they don't snag and run as easily as panty hose and, of course, these are a great deal more comfortable, Pavlik said.

Another bizarre item, that can only be called a distant cousin of the stocking, is the biker-length legging. These Spandex hose only come down to the knee like



A pair of spandex biker shorts, Hester said.

Teenagers are wearing these with short skirts and short shorts so that only a tiny bit of the legging can be seen.

Leggings generally go for much longer than regular hose. Another trend inspired by teenagers is the slouchy socks. Wearing a thick pair of socks bunched up around the ankle to cover the edge of the pants leg, Pavlik said.

Boys are even wearing slouch socks!

## Lodge officers installed



Kathy Dohnal

Kathy Dohnal covers the Madison-Venice scene for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 977-1086.

St. Stanislaus Lodge #1004 held installation of officers for 1991 at the March meeting with Chaplain Father James Keefner presiding.

Officers are president, Stan Serwatka; president, Al Ruesing Sr.; financial secretary, Regina Forsy; recording secretary, Delores Brinker; treasurer, Edward Forsy; sergeant-at-arms, Vasil Tanase; trustee, Tom Feskus.

After the meeting, members and friends celebrated Pulaski Day with refreshments of a Polish buffet. A social hour was then held.

On Sunday, March 17, the annual Communion Breakfast for members and their families followed the 8:30 am. Mass at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Madison. Stan Serwatka welcomed everyone and Chaplain Father Jim Keefner offered prayer.

Special guests were Sister Bernadette and Sister Joan. Announcement was made of a Luncheon Is Served money-making project to benefit the dancers. It will be held at the Madison Recreation Center on Thursday, April 18, at 6 p.m. Donation will be \$1.

Serwatka gave thanks to the hosts and their helpers for preparing the breakfast, introduced Bisto, Al Mossa, Zig Serwatka, Ted Ostrega, Ralph and Agnes Forsy, Dorothy Serwatka, Al and Agnes Ruesing and Mary Ann Liszewski. Thanks was given to Agnes Ruesing, Hattie Mulkin and Helen Bortacic for their help during the year.

Plans are being made for the annual barbecue to be held the Sunday before the Memorial Day weekend, starting at 11 to 10 p.m.

Chairman of the bar committee Joe Liszewski was thanked for a successful year.

Hattie Mulkin reported on the new insurance plans. It was noted that 1992 will mark the 75th anniversary of the Lodge.

Entertainment was provided by the Polish Dancers, Susie Holmes, dance instructor, introduced the dancers—Jennifer Hartwick, Michael Lux, Kelly Gavlick, Marilee Krawick, Kuszmerczak, Ashley Krawick, Cindy Bisto, Robyn Fields, Jennifer Roesch, Chris Kuit, Cokle Fields, Alexis Lux, Toni Mendez, Sonny Fields, Linda Dohal, Kendra Gavlick, Stephanie Kuit, Jesse Roshon, Dave Hartwick, Brittany Kuit and Liz Hudzik.

The Quilting Club met on Wednesday, March 13, at the home of Marie Szymeczek for breakfast. They then went to visit member Catherine Orris at her home. Attending were Vera Sikora, Katie Suchich and Catherine Meeki.

## War hero's letter pleaded: 'Never forget how much I loved you'

Second of two columns

Last week, we compared the heavy loss of life in the U.S. Civil War and the relatively few casualties in the just-ended Persian Gulf War.

Time notes that our Air Force in January-February 1991 "downed to Iraqi planes in air-to-air combat without a loss" and our Army "destroyed or captured 3,700 tanks while losing only three."

It was nothing short of a miracle.

CONSTANT IN ALL WARS is the participation of women to remain in contact with their family members and friends.

From my experiences in 1951-53, I know how much letters and phone calls can lift one's spirits when far from home.

I'm glad Quon Clines have been sending letters and packages to many American servicemen and women in the Persian Gulf. By far, "mail call" is the high point of the day.

INFORMAL GAMES helped our armed forces ease the ten-

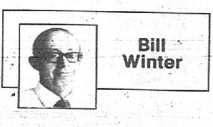
sion and pass the time while in the desert in 1950 and early 1951, and it is interesting to note that both sides in the Civil War occupied themselves during lulls by playing a new sport.

When I was serving at the Army's Transportation Center, Fort Eustis, Va., a lot of professional athletes were stationed at bases on the East Coast and competed in military leagues, including football and baseball.

Among the stars assigned to my battalion was the already famous but still quite young Willie Mays, destined to enter Baseball's Hall of Fame.

MUCH OF MY TIME in the service was spent in the state of Virginia, and I occasionally would wander up to Petersburg, the WAC (Women's Army Corps) headquarters, where there was a big dance each weekend.

was reminded by public TV's "The Civil War" series that Petersburg was the site of the last big battle of the 1861-65 war. Lasting from June 1862 to April 1865, the siege of Peters-



Bill Winter

burg was the highlight of the North's successful campaign against the South's capital, Richmond, Va.

Confederate forces had halted a federal advance at Cold Harbor but Gen. Ulysses S. Grant shifted the Northern army to surround Petersburg, only 21 miles from Richmond.

SEVERAL ATTACKS failed, including an effort to blow up part of the South's fortifications and charge through the gap; the plan worked, but 4,000 Northerners were slaughtered in the gap. Grant later sent Gen. Philip Sheridan to destroy a railroad supplying Richmond.

The South's Gen. Robert E. Lee moved forces to meet Sher-

dan but they were defeated at the battle of Five Forks on April 1, 1865. The following day, Grant ordered a final attack on Petersburg, which fell.

Grant marched into Richmond on April 3 and six days later Grant and Lee met at Appomattox Court House and arranged terms for the surrender.

MOST ASPECTS of the Civil War were tragic, but no human endeavor is entirely without instances of thoughtfulness and tenderness.

An officer killed in the war's first summer penned one of the most famous letters of all time only a week before he lost his life at Bull Run. It was narrated during the TV series. Major Sullivan Ballou wrote to his wife:

"The indications are very strong that we shall move in a few days, perhaps tomorrow. And lest I should not be able to write you again, I feel impelled to write a few lines that may fall under your eye when I am no more."

"I HAVE NO misgivings

about or lack of confidence in the cause in which I am engaged, and my courage does not hold me back."

"I know how American civilization now leans on the triumph of the government and how great a debt we owe to those who went before us through the blood and suffering of the Revolution, and I am willing, perfectly willing, to lay down all the joys in this life to help maintain this government and to pay that debt."

"Sarah, my love for you is deathless. It seems to bind me with Omnipotence can break."

"AND YET MY LOVE of country comes over me like a strong wind and bears me irresistibly with all these chains, to the battlefield."

"The memories of all the blissful moments I have enjoyed with you come crowding over me, and I feel most deeply grateful to God and you that I have enjoyed them so long."

"And how hard it is for me to give them up and burn to ashes

the hopes of future years when, God willing, we might still have lived and loved together and see our boys grown up to honorable manhood around us."

"If I do not return, my dear Sarah, never forget how much I loved you, now."

"WHEN MY LAST BREATH escapes me on the battlefield, it will whisper your name."

"Forgive my many faults and the many pains I have caused you. How thoughtless, how foolish I have sometimes been."

"But, oh Sarah, if the dead can come back to this earth and flit unseen around those they love, I shall always be with you in the brightest day and in the darkest night."

"Always. Always."

"AND WHEN THE SOFT breeze fans your cheek, it shall be my breath; or the cool air your throbbing temple, it shall be my spirit passing by."

"Sarah, do not mourn me dead; think I am gone and wait for me, for we shall meet again."



## Pontoon to hire Carr to help in relocating auto dealership

By Valerie Evenden  
Staff writer

**PONTOON BEACH**—A 15-foot-wide strip of land has been annexed to enable the village to take in a residential lot and house at 4010 Breckenridge Lane.

The residential property is owned by Lucille Martin, who requested annexation at the March 12 meeting of the Village Board of Trustees.

In other action, the board voted to retain outside legal counsel — attorney Rex Carr — to make a concerted effort toward relocating a major car agency on a city-owned lot. The lot is currently leased for a 99-year period at \$1 a year.

Both requests for annexation were approved, although some reservations were expressed by Trustee Robert Douglas.

"Douglas was concerned how the 15-by-100-foot strip was previously zoned by the county and how it should be zoned when brought into the village — Single Family Residence 1 (SR-1) or Single Family Residence 2 (SR-2).

"I really don't think it's a problem," Trustee Louis Whittell said. "We can annex it and bring it in anyway we want."

Douglas said that if there was to be a change of zoning classification, then a public hearing should be held. The absence of Village Attorney Keith Jensen from the meeting provoked some reaction from trustees.

"What was the county zoning on the property?" Douglas asked. No one apparently had the answer, but knew that it had been zoned SR-1 or SR-2.

"What status will this have in the next election?" Trustee Loren Madison asked.

"There is no bearing on this election," Mayor Glen Wilson replied.

The plot in question is a narrow strip of land, more like an outlot or easement, and nothing

can be built on it, Village Clerk Mary Warren said.

The strip lies behind a business place in the 4000 block of Pontoon Road and adjoins the 13,000-square-foot Martin property on Breckenridge Lane. Both parcels of property are located in Long Lake Shores Acres.

The Martin property was not contiguous with village boundaries until the 100-foot strip was annexed.

Trustees Bob Abel, Irene Karlechik, Madison and Whittell voted to annex the strip, with Douglas and Trustee Marvin Ribbing voting against it.

All the trustees supported annexing the Martin property, which was brought into the village under SR-1 zoning classification.

Don Rea, a member of the Madison County Board and a former village trustee, sought to clarify the status of Don Johnson Chrysler Plymouth.

Johnson, who was at the meeting, previously said he was willing to locate the automobile dealership on Lot 100, owned by David Thebeau and located on Illinois 111 at Timberlake Drive.

But, he said, he preferred to build a permanent dealership on

Lot 3, adjacent to and just north of Lot 100.

Lot 3 is roughly a 4½-acre tract next to the new Omni Bank and is located in the village's Tax Increment Financing District.

The lot is currently leased to McDonald's Restaurant, which obtained the lease for \$1 a year for 99 years to insure against any other fast-food restaurant being established in the immediate vicinity.

Negotiations were reported under way between Jensen and McDonald's Restaurant officials to relinquish the lease on Lot 3 and locate the new car agency there.

"I heard we've been advised we could take back the lease from McDonald's," someone commented.

"We haven't got anything yet," Madison said.

"I say we should get Rex Carr (a St. Clair County attorney) as outside counsel to investigate breaking the lease with McDonald's."

The motion was approved without dissent, but the action was made subject to an estimate of the amount of legal fees involved.



**OLD GLORY:** Marie Bailey, center, donates this 62-by-89-inch crocheted flag to the Granite City Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1300 on Washington Avenue. She spent 320 hours making the flag. Accepting it for the VFW are Bonnie Costello, Ladies Auxiliary junior vice-president, left, and far right, Rich Parizon, junior vice-commander.

## Letters

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which was going out with the CDL license. I tried to study every morning and they kept giving me a job.

My license came due Dec. 26, 1990. So I just waited till December and took my CDL license and passed; all they have to do is train me on the trucks without air brakes.

I can take the driver's test and plow snow with either one of the two new snow trucks.

Would you believe that the superintendent of streets hired a chauffeur without a driver's

license? If it was so important, would he hire people with a truck driver license? If he cared, wouldn't he have given me time to receive a license?

In Jan. 14, he blocked off Niedringhaus and Madison and fixed the holes on the portions of Niedringhaus which were part of the Madison Avenue project.

I was sent with Terry Lindsay and fixed holes Jan. 15 by the hospital on Niedringhaus, also part of the Madison Avenue project.

Isn't the street superintendent in charge of all streets in Granite City?

The superintendent said that he can do curb and sidewalks rather than contract it out. Then why did he contract a portion of road for Rep. Sam Wolf, to be done at the time of \$20,000?

In fact, it would not drain; so they had to cut a ditch in the new concrete to get it to drain.

We could have done the job for \$10,000 and it would have drained. We had done two places already that year.

JUG HARRISON  
Candidate for Granite City  
superintendent of streets

## Responds to letter on Pontoon Beach

To the editor:

I'm just an ordinary Pontoon Beach citizen with no political ax to grind, just wanting to see Pontoon Beach grow.

Edgar Patrick is running for office and must have easy access to minutes of Pontoon Beach meetings, seeing as how he didn't attend meetings until he had political aspirations.

At least two things that he wrote about in the *Press-Record*

are wrong. The 2.75-acre storm-water drainage ditch he was referring to as a park is pretty flat for a ditch; I was invited to a wiener roast at the area and I liked the location. Maybe he should have been invited.

He said, "The mayor and three trustees passed Resolution 88-05." Doesn't he know that the only time the mayor votes is to break ties?

Is this the same Edgar Patrick who served on the TIF Commission?

JIM HILL  
Pontoon Beach

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## Ridlen-Decker

Julie A. Ridlen, daughter of Donald and Norma Ridlen of Granite City, and Eric C. Decker, son of Jerry and Vickie Decker of Granite City, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

The bride-to-be is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and is attending Northeast Missouri State University.

Her fiancé is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School and is attending Broadcast Center.

The couple is planning a June 22 wedding at Nameoki United Methodist Church in Granite City.



Julie Ridlen  
and Eric Decker

## Nathen Talley

Melissa Parker and Rodney Talley of Granite City are parents of a boy born 8:49 p.m. March 14, 1991, at Wood River Township Hospital.

The infant was named Nathen Lee Talley. He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Elizabeth and Marvin Miller of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Audrey Talley of Jonesboro, Ill.



Pamela Slaton  
and David Kaltmayer

## Slaton-Kaltmayer

Jimmie R. and Colleen Slaton of St. Louis have announced the engagement of their daughter, Pamela Susan, to David Scott Kaltmayer, son of Donald and Margaret Kaltmayer, and grandson of Howard and Helen Bischoff, all of Granite City.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Mehlville Senior High School and Hickory Business School.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Granite City Senior High School. He is attending attending Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville's electrical engineering program.

A date of Aug. 31 has been set for the wedding.

## Contact us

Forms for free bridal announcements are available at the paper, 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, Ill. 62040. Contact us at 878-2000.

## Justice-McElroy

Gabrielle Jean Justice, daughter of Barbara Davis of Granite City and Dennis Patterson of Collinsville, and Tracey Wayne McElroy, son of Harvel McElroy of Granite City and the late Sybil McElroy, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

The bride-to-be of Granite City is a 1988 graduate of Granite City Senior High School and is employed by Poplar Construction of Granite City as a concrete finisher.

McElroy is a 1986 graduate of Granite City Senior High School and is employed by Poplar Construction of Granite City as a concrete finisher.

The couple is planning an Oct. 12 wedding at Nameoki Methodist Church in Granite City.

Birth announcement forms are made available to St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Granite City and Anderson Hospital in Maryville; and they are available at the Press-Record/Journal office, 1815 Delmar, Granite City.



Gabrielle Justice  
and Tracey McElroy

## Pinski-LaRue

Cathy Pinski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Pinski of Pontoon Beach, and Ed LaRue Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed LaRue Sr. of Pontoon Beach, are engaged.

Pinski, a 1979 graduate of Granite City High School North, attends Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. Pinski is employed by General American Life Insurance Co. of St. Louis.

LaRue, a 1982 graduate of Granite City High School North, is in the Marine Corps stationed in North Carolina.

The couple will be married in May.



Cathy Pinski  
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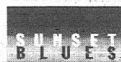
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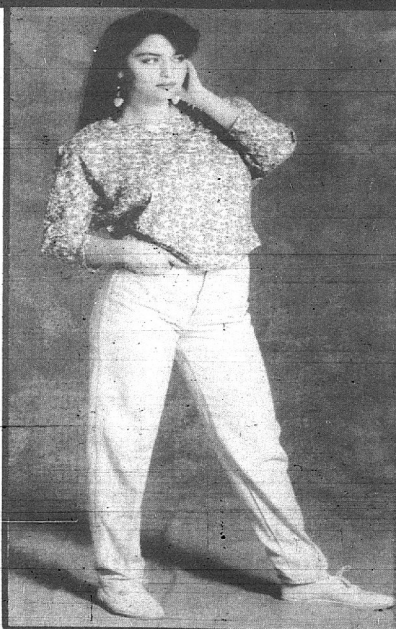


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## Obituaries

## Hanon

Kenneth G. "Kay" Hanon, 64, of Highland died Friday, March 15, 1991, at Belleville Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Littlefield and was reared in Granite City. He later lived in Rosewood Heights and moved to Highland in 1971. Mr. Hanon was a policeman in the Granite City, worked for the Granite City Army Depot and since 1971 had been a route salesman for tires.

He served in the Navy during World War II and was a member of VFW Post 6695 of Highland and the American Quarter Horse Association.

Survivors include one son, Steven Hanon of Kent, Wash.; two daughters, Lynnette Green of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Marcie Miller of Highland; one stepdaughter, Jeannie of Washington state; and one granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joan (Hogan) Hanon, and his parents, Dwight and Alice (Spicer) Hanon.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 24, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home, 1501 Ninth St., Highland. His remains were donated to the Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis.

Memorial contributions to the family are suggested.

## Barton

Bertha Irene (Merritt) Barton, 97, of Topeka, Kan., formerly of Granite City, died at 3:40 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, 1991, at McCrite Health Care Plaza, Topeka. She had been ill for several days and at the nursing home since March 1985.

Born Jan. 18, 1894, in Bloomington, Ill., she resided in Granite City for 60 years and in Kansas since 1980. She was a homemaker and was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include two daughters, Anita Wiant of Topeka and June Juntunen of Pollock Pines, Calif., and one sister, Nellie Larch of Lebanon, Ore.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emmett Barton; two sons, William Barton Sr. and Robert Barton; one daughter, Virginia Barton; and her parents, William and Belle (White) Merritt.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at Irwin Chapel, 3600 Maryville Road, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday. Burial will be at St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

Memorials are suggested for the American Heart Association.

## Funeral services

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

**CARTER, John Thomas** ("Tom"), 64, of Granite City died at 9:05 a.m. Friday, March 15, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Monday at Hanks-Gibson Funeral Home, East, Ill., with burial in Green Pond Cemetery near Pearl.

**DUNN, Inez N. (Alley)**, 81, of Kansas City, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died at 8:25 a.m. Saturday, March 16, 1991, in Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. There were private family services. Irwin Chapel, Granite City, was in charge.

**DUTCHIK, Elizabeth G. (Tom)**, 92, of Granite City, formerly of Mount Olive, died at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, March 17, 1991, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. Services were held Tuesday at Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Bill Fisherkeller. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Edwardsville. Visitation was at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City.

**GOUGH, Vincent Harold**, 68, of Cahokia died Wednesday, March 19, 1991, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. Services were Saturday at Kassy Cahokia Mortuary. Burial was in Valhalla Gardens of Memory, Belleville.

**LISCHER, Dolores Blythe (McElville)**, 84, of Granite City, formerly of Cooks Station, Mo., died at 9 p.m. Monday, March 18,



Nick Torregrossa

Nick Torregrossa, 80, of Granite City, formerly of Belleville, died at 2:50 a.m. Wednesday, March 20, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He had been ill for several months and in the hospital since Feb. 15.

He was born March 10, 1911, in St. Louis. Mr. Torregrossa was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, AMVETS Post 51, the American Legion and the Italian-American Club.

Survivors include his wife, Charlotte Torregrossa, whom he married Oct. 18, 1935; two daughters, Sandra Bray of Belleville and Marva McKinnon of Granite City; one sister, Ann Stephens of Jacksonville, Ark.; seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 2800 Madison Ave., with a wake and Rosary service at 6:30 p.m. Graveside services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis.

Memorials are suggested for the American Lung Association or Masses.

## Barnes

Cassandra Sue (Hammond) Barnes, 32, of St. Clair, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died at 6:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, 1991, at St. Louis University Hospital. She sustained head injuries in a fall from a horse at 6 p.m. Tuesday, while riding near her home and was transferred by Medivac helicopter to the St. Louis trauma

center from a hospital in Washington, Mo.

Born on April 2, 1958, at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Mrs. Barnes resided in Granite City for several years. She had lived in St. Clair for the past six years.

Mrs. Barnes graduated from Buffalo High School, Mo., and previously lived at the Lake of the Ozarks. She was employed at Tri-County Manufacturing in Washington.

Among the survivors are a daughter, Melissa Charley Barnes, 7, of St. Clair; her parents, Ray E. Hammond of Granite City and Shirley Kaiser of Hartsville, Mo.; two brothers, Alvin Hammond of Lewisville, Texas, and David Hammond of St. Peters, Mo.; and grandmothers, Dorothy Fisher of House Springs, Mo., and Geneva Barnhart of Springfield, Mo.

Arrangements are pending at Greenlaw Funeral Home in Springfield, Mo. Call 314-833-1111 for details. Burial will be at Mount Comfort Cemetery, near Fair Grove, Mo.

## Elliott

Lucille V. Elliott, 76, of Granite City died at 8:01 a.m. Tuesday, March 19, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Mrs. Elliott was born in Roodhouse, Ill., and resided in Granite City for the last 20 years. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include five sons, Joseph, Richard, Charles, Gerald, and Lawrence Elliott, all of St. Louis; one brother, Robert Vinyard of St. Louis; one sister, Marge Ingham of England; and 14 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee Elliott.

Visitation was held at Kriegerhauser's Mortuary in St. Louis. Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. today at Laurel Hill Memorial Park in Maplewood. Burial by the Rev. Willis Alsapach, Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach, handled local arrangements.

## Curtis

Leroy Curtis, 79, of Granite City died at 12:14 a.m. Wednesday, March 20, 1991, after six days of illness and four days of hospitalization at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Mr. Curtis was born Feb. 17, 1912, in Missouri and resided in Granite City most of his life. A truck driver until retiring in 1979, he was a member of the Teamsters union for 34 years.

Survivors include one stepson,

John Rogers of Mount Clemens, Mich.; three brothers, Vernon, Curtis of Bridgeton, Lloyd Curtis of Granite City and Marion Curtis of Aurora, Mo.; and two sisters, Luella Pugh of Lewisville, Texas, and Goldie Hozian of Granite City.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Eleanor Curtis, who died in 1983, and his parents, Isaac and Anna Curtis.

Services will be from 4 to 9 p.m. on Sunday at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., where services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

## Thornton

Jack Thornton Jr., 67, of Granite City died at 9:06 a.m. Wednesday, March 20, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Ill for one year, he had been a patient there for five days.

Mr. Thornton was a lifelong resident of Granite City, where he was born Sept. 1, 1923. He was employed for 12 years at the former Union Starch & Refining Co. here and was a member of the VFW. He was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include three sons, Charles Thornton of Sacramento, Calif., and Jimmy and Gerald Thornton, both of Granite City; two daughters, Jo Ann Thornton of Granite City and Linda Atchley of Alton; two brothers, Harry Thornton of Granite City and Ralph Thornton of Phoenix; one sister, Sharon Thornton of Granite City; and 15 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Ethel Thornton. Visitation will start at 5 p.m. today at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., where services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday. Burial will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County.

## Green

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Mr. Stephen Stoffer, Pueblo, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Don Stoffer, Visalia, Colo.; and Mrs. Pat Uram of Aurora, Colo.

Easter Critter Parade. As the Holy Family craft class will present its Spring Craft show in conjunction with its weekly fish fry on Friday, March 22, 2000, Washington Avenue, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Gifts will be in time for Easter.

## O'Shia

Frances L. (Dorothy) O'Shia, 77, of Granite City, died March 20, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She had been ill for 24 years and hospitalized for 17 days.

Born Aug. 13, 1913, in Stewart County, Tenn., she resided in Granite City for 60 years. Mrs. O'Shia was a housewife and of the Protestant faith. She was a member of The Word of Life Tabernacle Church.

Survivors include her husband,

Joseph O'Shia, whom she married 1960 in Madison; one son, James Bolling of Granite City; two brothers, Harry Dorlach of Granite City; Faison Dorlach of Victoria, Montana; one sister Lottie Lynn of Madison; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Montana (Kennedy) Dorlach.

Visitation and services are pending at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave. at 876-4321.

## Hamm

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are an agreement to sell some of the city's land in the Stephen Maers Industrial Park to the school district for a new school, actions taken in conjunction with the now-closed Dunbar School building including its possible demolition, the possible establishment of Tax Increment Financing districts involving redirecting tax receipts, and the issue of providing school crossing guards.

Nighossian's statement says previous court decisions "clearly indicate that an abstention from the vote by the local officials in these situations does not resolve the incompatibility situation as the officialholder then does not fully represent one of the constituencies which elected him to office."

Nighossian agrees with Haine that there are no Illinois court decisions directly regarding the two positions. But his statement to the council goes on to cite three Illinois cases, dating from 1880, 1896 and 1908.

## Crites

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council.

She also said Dawes' comments times to council meetings unprepared. As an example, she said, when the Legacy street light proposal came before the council—Dawes is chairman of the traffic and lights committee—it was referred back to committee because there was no cost comparison (concrete vs. wooden poles) available to the aldermen for consideration.

It should have been an automatic thing, according to Crites. "But it had to be delayed" because pertinent information was not provided. Asked if her work and school schedule would allow her to devote sufficient time to her aldermanic responsibilities, Crites said, "If you want a job done, ask a busy person to do it," because they will get the job done.

## Dawes

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arranged, and maybe won't answer complaints," he said. "I have answered every complaint that has been brought to my attention as an alderman. By walking the 7th Ward, I keep in contact."

For these reasons, I feel I would do a better job than my opponent," he concluded.

Dawes and his wife Irene have four adult children.

Born in Venice, Dawes attended Granite City schools and was a barber before he retired. He still volunteers to cut hair at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

He is a member of First Assembly of God Church and is active in the Disabled American Veterans.

He has previously held the office of city inspector.

## Trivia

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Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hales, 1951 and 1991

## GC couple observes 40th

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy (Mildred) Hales celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Feb. 24. A reception was held at the Johnson Road Baptist Church, 1333 Johnson Road. Leroy Hales and the former Mildred Marler were married at the home of the Rev. C.H. McConnell in Piggott, Ark., on Feb. 24, 1951, by the Rev. C.H. McConnell. Their attendants were the groom's father, the late Rev. Jess Hales, and the bride's mother, the late Grace Marler of Wappapello, Mo. Soon after the wedding, the couple moved to St. Louis, where they stayed until 1962 when they moved to Granite City. Leroy Hales retired from General Motors of St. Louis on July 1, 1988, after 30 years. Mildred Hales is an employee of the Granite City School District. The Hales are the parents of three sons, Steven Hales of Milan, Ill.; Stanley Hales of St. Louis;

and Mark Hales of Granite City. The Hales have nine grandchildren. The reception was hosted by the honoree's sons and their wives, Lisa Hales and Melita Hales. Eighty-one well-wishers signed the guest list. All of the couple's grandchildren were present, also many other relatives, friends and neighbors. The out-of-town guests, including Mildred Hales' sister and brother-in-law, Virgie and Eldon Null, and her brother and sister-in-law, Roy Lee and Normas Williams all Wappapello, Mo.; and her niece, Sharon McGee, with her husband, Rob, and sons, Craig and Brent, of Memphis, Tenn. Also attending were Leroy Hales' brother and sister-in-law, Charles and Trina Hales of Peavley, Mo.; and his sister Yvonne Jones and her son, Gary, of St. Louis.



Zoeann Tatum and Stephen Gurley

## Gurley-Tatum

Zoeann Tatum and Stephen W. Gurley were married Feb. 7, 1991, at Bluebird's Castle, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, by the Honorable Ishmael A. Meyers. The bride is the daughter of Anastasia Tatum of Granite City and the late Lyell E. Tatum, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Gurley of St. Louis. A reception was held on board the Star Princess. After a Caribbean cruise, the couple moved to Granite City. The bride attended Columbia College in Columbia, Mo., and is employed by Hope Clinic of Granite City. The groom attended St. Louis Community College and the Rochester Institute of Technology and is employed by the Adsell Companies of St. Louis as a director of operations.

## Hassler-Pashea

Suzanne M. Pashea, daughter of Sylvia Pashea and Carroll M. Pashea, both of Granite City, and Michael L. Hassler, son of Joe and Lela Hassler of Granite City, were married Sept. 8, 1990, at St. John United Church of Christ, Granite City, with the Rev. Allen J. Reiter officiating. The maid of honor was Sandra Pashea, and matron of honor was Sheryl Reville, sisters of the bride. The bridesmaids were Valerie Lamantia, an aunt of the bride; Patty Watson; Denise Fuzessery; Sherri Fuhrman; Patti Becher; and Chris Houston. Best man was Joe Hassler III, brother of the groom. Grooms-

men were Kelly Reville, Mike Lulich, Kelly Watson, Parry Perdue, Dennis Partney, Kenny Waggoner and Randy Dioneda. The flower girls were Jessica Hassler, a niece of the groom, and Brittany Fuzessery. Ring bearer was Justin Lamantia, a cousin of the bride. Miniature bride and groom were Katie and Jimmy Whitehead, a niece and nephew of the groom. Ushers were Glenn Simpson and Bill Nordike. A reception was held at St. Gregory's Hall, Granite City. After a wedding trip to Fort Walton Beach, Fla., the couple is residing in Granite City.



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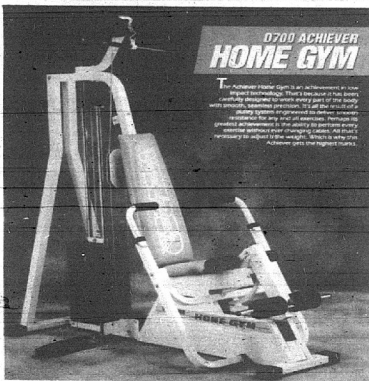
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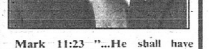
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# Sports

## Stegemeier likes versatile lineup

By Dave Whaley  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Versatility is the keyword as the Warriors open the high school baseball season Saturday.

Bob Stegemeier begins his 18th season with anything but an established starting lineup. He has a few certain names in mind for a few certain positions, but the starting lineup might not resemble at all the lineup in May.

"Everything I say now is subject to change," said Stegemeier, who needs 12 wins to reach 300 in his career. "We have a little experience up the middle, which is good. But we won't find out where we're good until we start playing games."

The main ingredients back

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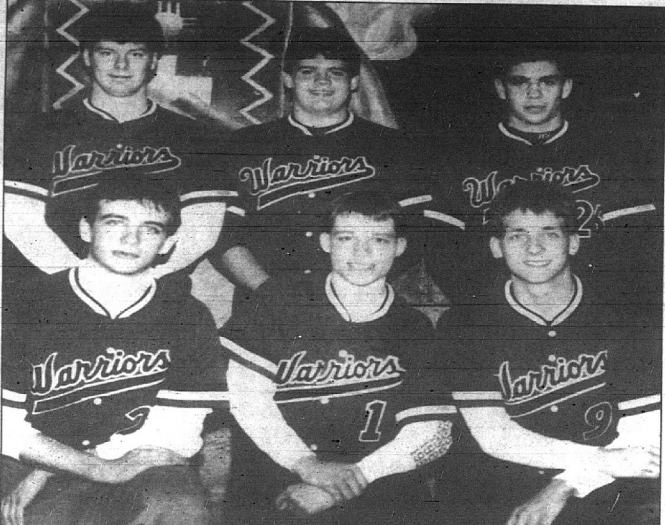
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3/25 GALESBURG (2)	4 p.m.
3/27 Wood River	4 p.m.
4/1 ROCKFORD	4 p.m.
4/3 CBC (2)	4:15
4/5 ALTON	4:30
4/9 Belleville East	4:30
4/11 BELLEVILLE WEST	4:30
4/12 CALIFORNIA	4:30
4/13 Jerseyville (2)	1:30
4/15 EAST ST. LOUIS	4 p.m.
4/18 Collinsville	4 p.m.
4/19-20 CIC Round Robin	4 p.m.
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5/1 Francis Howell North	4:15
5/2 BELLEVILLE EAST	4:30
5/2 Belleville West	4:30
5/4 East St. Louis	4:30
5/11 O'Fallon (2)	4 p.m.
5/14 COLLINSVILLE	4 p.m.
5/15 CARBONDALE	4 p.m.

Home games in ALL CAPS. SWS means in double-header against SWS opponents, only first game counts in SWS standings.

from the 16-9 team of 1990 are seniors Ryan Reeves, Dan Partney, Mike Nordstrom, Jeff Stegemeier and Chris Hill. Reeves, Nordstrom and Hill will be joined by junior Drake Marshall as the top four pitchers. Reeves is also the team's best defensive outfielder and should turn out to be one of the most dangerous hitters.

Ryan has gotten a little stronger and he's waiting on the ball a little better," said Stegemeier. "He did a good job driving in runs last year even though his average wasn't very high, but we're expecting more this season."

Reeves batted .216 but drove in 14 runs in 23 games. Partney is the leading returning hitter as he batted .381 with three home runs and 19 RBIs in 21 games. He will start the season as a pitcher. Nordstrom was 4-0 as a pitcher, but he hit just .188 in 1990.



**SENIOR LETTERMEN** for the Warrior baseball team are, front row left to right, Chris Hill, Jeff Stegemeier and Ryan Reeves; back row, Erik Lewis, Dan Partney and Mike Nordstrom.



**Bob Stegemeier**  
12 wins from 300

"This is a fun club to work with," said Stegemeier. "There is a lot of versatility and I have

to learn to coach that. There are so many question marks, but there are lots of possibilities to answer them."

For the first time in four years, Stegemeier had to post a vacancy sign behind home plate. Joe Wallace has taken his considerable talent to Oklahoma State, so Partney and junior John Cozair have been left to battle for the starting position.

"They're pretty even so far," Stegemeier said. "Cozair is a little better at blocking pitches and Partney might be throwing a little better right now. But Partney can also play first base."

He will contend for that job along with Nordstrom, who can also play in the outfield if needed. Marshall is pencilled in for second base when he's not pitching.

"Drake is an athlete," said

Stegemeier. "He's a hard worker and you can tell he's not just a player. He's had some coaching. Second base is a good spot because there will be less strain on his arm there."

Stegemeier has filed shortstop job, and he's his to lose.

"He has really looked good there," said Stegemeier. "Jeff has great hands. We know he can play defense, and he's gotten stronger and has better mechanics at the plate. He lunged at pitches last year (.148 average)."

Junior Billy Van Buskirk is the leading candidate at third base, with junior Josh Neidhardt right behind him. Van Buskirk had two hits in six varsity at-bats at the end of 1990.

"Billy and Josh are both good hitters," said Stegemeier. "Billy

## Wallace catching for 12th-ranked Cowboys

By Dave Whaley  
Staff writer

STILLWATER, Okla. — To those who thought Joe Wallace would never make an impact in college baseball, he's already proving them wrong.

Wallace has already started a handful of games behind the plate for the Oklahoma State Cowboys. OSU was 10-5 at the beginning of the week and ranked 12th in the Collegiate Baseball/ESPN rankings.

"I'm pretty pleased so far," Wallace said this week. "I was scared the first week of the season, but I'm learning how to handle everything."

Wallace, who rewrote the Granite City High School baseball record book the last four years, said he has no idea what his batting average is, but he did hit his first collegiate home run last week in Louisiana against Oregon State.

"It felt good," he said. "I hit it left-center. I'm making better contact at the plate. I struck out five times in the first 25 at-bats, but they've changed my stance around a little."

To those who saw Wallace when OSU played on ESPN in February, his new stance was radically different from high school. But he's listening to the advice of Cowboy head coach Gary Ward, one of the leading offensive gurus in college baseball.

"Coach Ward knows anything and everything about hitting," Wallace said. "He's got all kinds of theories. They're trying to get me to concentrate on hitting the ball back up the middle as much as possible."

It wasn't exactly the ideal situation for a freshman catcher at the start of the season. OSU senior catcher Mike Daniel was the Big Eight Player of the Year in 1990 and was back for his senior season despite being drafted by the New York Mets in the amateur draft last June.

But Daniel has played a lot of first base recently while Wallace catches.

"I think Mike likes to get out from behind the plate once in a while," Wallace said. "He was not with the bat right when the season started, but nobody will



**Joe Wallace**  
1st collegiate HR

pitch to him. He walked seven times in two games once."

Wallace, who rooms with fellow freshman Bryon Reno of Monroe, N.Y., said one of the biggest adjustments to college baseball is the atmosphere at games.

"You wouldn't believe how much you're supposed to taunt the other team," he said. "The coaches and all the players do it. That was tough to get used to at first."

"But we've got a good bunch of guys and a great pitching staff."

The staff is led by righthander Dennis Burbank, who also plays for the OSU basketball team. The Cowboys are still in the NCAA Tournament, in search of a national championship. That's something the baseball team is used to.

"I think we'll be in the College World Series again this year," said Wallace. "But there's a long way to go."

Indeed, the high school season hasn't even started yet, but OSU has played almost 20 games since the season began in early February. And the regular season will total almost 60 games until regionals begin in mid-May.

"I was worried about getting worn out at first," said Wallace. "But coach Ward runs us a lot and we also have times where he wants us to get away from each other and not think about baseball for a day or two. That helps."

## Lady Warriors have right mix of youth, experience

By Dave Whaley  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — As usual, Gene Baker finds himself in a pretty good situation this spring.

It's almost like this guy knows what he's doing.

You want experience? The Lady Warrior soccer team has it, with 20 of the 23 players on the varsity roster having played at least some on the varsity last year. You want youth? Only seven of the 23 are seniors.

So the foundation is there for a good season. Or two. Or three.

Not that Baker's first three seasons have been bad. Granite City was 37-13-3 the last three years, with three trips to the sectional finals. Now, with an amazing 10-sophomores on the roster, the Lady Warriors (12-4-1 last year) try to scale the mountain again.

"Using the younger girls is going to pay off," said Baker. "Whether it's this year or next remains to be seen. All the youth will really look terrific if we win this year."

But there is no next year for seven seniors, most of whom have experienced plenty of winning in three seasons only to suffer three disappointing losses to Collinsville in the sectionals. Those losses have come at three different sites — Collinsville's Football Bowl (1988), Alton, Gordon Moore Park (1989) and the Collinsville Sports Complex (1990).

This year the sectional finals will be held in Granite City, which will give seniors Addie Leuzi, Angela Blason, Lia Mendoza, Tia Rees, Jennifer Harper, Hollie Taylor and Angela Jones a chance to go to the state tournament.

Although Jones is battling mononucleosis.

Leuzi was an all-stater last year, scoring nine goals to lead the Lady Warriors. She will once again be joined up front by junior Amanda Witter (eight goals).

"Amanda is a heck of a finisher," said Baker. "She and Addie

form quite a 1-2 punch. But just about all of the sophomores have the ability to score as well, particularly Suzanne Stuart."

Baker worked a solid group of freshmen into the lineup a year ago, so he returns with his deepest and most talented group of sophomores yet. Stuart, Tammy Dutko, Julie Goele, Ann Logan, Beth Ruffoff, Angela Parker, Michelle Kessel, Staci Johnson, Stephanie Harvathy and goalkeeper Stephanie Kull form the cornerstone of the future — and a large part of the present.

Kull goes in with a slight edge in goal, although Baker has plen-

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4/2 O'Fallon	4:30
4/11 ALTON	4:30
4/12-13 Melville Tournament	4:30
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4/29 HAZELWOOD WEST	4:30
5/2 Hazelwood Central	4 p.m.
5/6 Collinsville	5:30
5/9 Hazelwood	6 p.m.
5/13 LUTHERAN EAST	6 p.m.
5/14 COLLINSVILLE	4:30

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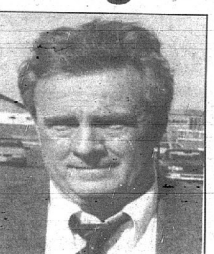
ty of confidence in junior Leslie Stavelly.

"Our goalkeeping situation is as good as it's ever been," said Baker. "Stephanie and Leslie will probably split the games evenly."

Stavelly, Witter and Ginger Henson are the only juniors currently listed on the varsity roster, while Brooke Bjorkman, Kari Kessel and Lyns Evans are the freshmen with the best chance to play.

Bjorkman has been outstanding in practice so far," said Baker. "She has a tremendous shot."

Baker is set with Leuzi and Witter up front, Blason at stopper, Harper sweeping and Kull at Stavelly in goal. Other than that, he'll be moving the rest of his versatile lineup around to the right spots.



**Gene Baker**  
... balance and depth

"We have lots of talent and loads of depth," said Baker. "Like last year, we don't have a lot of size. But we do have speed and if we play with enough discipline it should be a very successful season."

Whether that success will translate into a ticket to the state tournament in St. Charles remains to be seen.

It doesn't do any good to focus on those losses to Collinsville now," said Baker. "They certainly deserved to win that last game a year ago. But to be fair, we were missing some key seniors for that game."

Baker took some seniors off the roster for the post-season because they elected to take part in graduation ceremonies, which took place on the same weekend as the state finals. The Lady Warriors could face the same dilemma this year, although Blason indicated this group of seniors wants to go to state.

"You can't say that this early because that so often is a family decision," said Baker.



**SENIORS** for the Lady Warrior soccer team include, front row left to right, Addie Leuzi, Tia Rees and Hollie Taylor; back row, Lia Mendoza, Angela Blason and Jennifer Harper. Not pictured is Angela Jones.

senior class, but returning are Mindy Holcomb, Caryn Chastain, goalie Jennifer Schuetz, Ann Logan, Stephanie Judkins, Lauren Nelson, Mandy Scars, and Becky Thompson. The Redwings are again led by a solid quartet of twins Camie and Carrie Bechtold, defender Marcy Jacobs and goalie Kathy Klope.

"I'll have to see those teams play before I can say how we

match up with them," Baker said. "The whole area is strong this year. St. Louis is going to have a lot of good teams. Our schedule is tremendous. We play the teams over here home-and-home, plus we'll see most of the good St. Louis schools. The suburban north schools are fantastic."

The highlight of the regular

season will be the eight-team Soccer Fest at St. Louis Soccer Park on April 12-13, sponsored by the Melville School District and the Jefferson Barracks Soccer Club. Joining Granite City will be Missouri state champion Oakville, Illinois state champion St. Charles, Melville, Quincy, Notre Dame of St. Louis, Peria Notre Dame and Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin.



## Baseball

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is probably a little better defensively, so Neidhardt could end up being the designated hitter for some games."

The outfield looks like junior Chris Hildreth in left field, Reeves in center and Nordstrom in right. But Stegemeier will have to juggle that around quite a bit since Reeves and Nordstrom both figure to see plenty of time on the mound.

"We're waiting for Erik Lewis (.400 in 15 at-bats) to get healthy," said Stegemeier. He hurt his leg in basketball and is still limping around."

Only five pitchers won games on the varsity level in 1990 and three of them, Brian Harsbany, Rich Schardan and Butch Senecyn have graduated. But Nordstrom was 4-0 with a 3.42 ERA and Hill was 2-0 with a 3.23 ERA, including a memorable relief effort against Belleville Altoft.

Reeves was 0-1, but had a 3.06 ERA in 18 1/3 innings. Marshall 3-0 with a 2.50 ERA in 14 innings as a sophomore for Altoft last spring.

"Reeves is probably throwing the hardest," said Stegemeier. "But the others have live arms,

too. Hill has a leg injury and it will be a while before he's fully back."

Rounding out the pitching staff are senior Tom Mattern, junior Dan Askins and senior Chris Sturdivant. Junior Russ Boyer has shown good mechanics, but Stegemeier thinks he's a year away. One pitcher who won't be able to help is senior Dave Boloy. He seemed to have a bright future ahead of him two years ago, but he hurt his elbow last year and it hasn't come around yet.

"He came out one night this year, tried to throw and said he couldn't do it," said Stegemeier. Stegemeier doesn't think his team is overly weak in any area. "We've got decent team speed with Stephens and Marshall at the top of the order," he said. Jeff can bunt a little bit and Drake looks like a No. 2 hitter who can go to right field. Partney, Reeves and Nordstrom can give us a little power, and Lewis has some pop in his bat. Van Buskirk, Neidhardt and Cozair think we can almost always put eight guys out there who can catch the ball."

Stegemeier thinks Belleville West in the Southwestern Confer-

ence favorite, Edwardsville, the defending state champions, has plenty of holes to fill, but with pitcher Joe Blasigim, catcher J.J. Scerba and outfielder John Droste, Tom Pile has a good start to build on.

"Our sophomore and freshman teams beat Edwardsville last year, so I feel pretty good about that," Stegemeier said. "Our freshman team only lost one game last year. That's a good group of sophomores I don't want to break up."

It looks like the Warriors and Tigers will meet in the regular season for the first time since 1987, Edwardsville, Duplo and Hillsboro are in the Granite City Round Robin Tournament on April 20-21. Duplo took second in the state Class A tournament last year.

"Our goal is to win 20 games," said Stegemeier. "We might fool some people."

And about that group of sophomores. That will be Stegemeier's final senior class in 1993, when he is retiring.

"I hope they stay together and have a good couple of seasons," said Stegemeier, who takes a 296-207 record into the 1991 season.

## SIUE schedules several summer camps

SIUE will conduct a series of youth sports camps this summer in baseball, basketball, soccer, volleyball, track, cross country and speed and flexibility. All camps will be held at SIUE athletic facilities, including the Yadalabene Center.

Baseball: A day camp teaching the fundamentals of baseball will be held June 3-7. Sessions meet from 9-11:30 a.m. The camp is for youngsters ages 7-13. Registration is \$56, which includes a \$25 deposit. Reduced costs are available for campers attending more than one session. Advanced baseball camps will be held June 10-14 for youngsters ages 11-18. Sessions will meet from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration is \$115, which includes lunch each day. Registration requires a \$25 deposit.

Basketball: A boys camp focusing on the fundamentals of basketball will be June 17-22. Players in grades 1-3 will meet from 9-11:30 a.m. each day. Grades 4-5 will meet from 1:30-4 p.m., and grades 6-8 from 6:30-9 p.m. Registration is \$55.

## GC Wrestling Club sending 4 to state

The Granite City Wrestling Club is sending four wrestlers to the IHWF state wrestling tournament.

The wrestlers qualified by placing in the South Sectional in Wood River last weekend. Senior wrestlers (ages 10-14) are Chris Hogan (39-6), first at 177 pounds; Tony Bucher (17-3), second at 144 pounds; T.J. Slay (44-2), second at 105 pounds; and

Two varsity team camps will be offered for boys in high school. Camps are scheduled June 9-14 and July 21-26. Registration for either week is \$300 for residents and \$115 for commuters.

A boys junior high team camp will be June 28-Aug. 1 for players ages 12-15. Registration is \$200 for residents and \$115 for commuters.

A girls high school team camp will be June 27-30. Registration is \$160 for residents and \$110 for commuters. A girls camp focusing on fundamentals will be July 8-12. Sessions for players in grades 4-5 will meet from 9-11:30 a.m. Girls in grades 6-8 will meet from 1:30-4 p.m. Registration is \$55.

A girls camp for boys and girls ages 7-13 will be July 15-19. Sessions will meet from 6-8 p.m. A similar youth camp will be held July 29-Aug. 2 in Altoft. Registration for both camps is \$45.

A high school soccer camp for boys and girls will be July 22-26 from 6-8 p.m. A camp for boys

and girls ages 7-13 will be Aug. 5-9 from 6-8 p.m. Registration for both camps is \$45.

Two camps will be offered for goalkeepers. A high school goalkeeper camp is scheduled July 22-26 from 6-8 p.m. Registration for the camp is \$70. A youth goalkeeper camp for players ages 7-13 will be Aug. 5-9 from 6-8 p.m. Registration is \$45.

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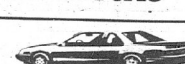
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# Business

## Workers find ladder to success clogged

By Roger McGrath  
Correspondent

More and more white-collar workers, in their climb up the much-coveted corporate ladder toward upper management, big salaries and a finding their career path blocked. Instead of a promotion every two years or so, they're marking time five, six, even seven years before stepping up to the next rung.

"They're caught in the 'plateau trap,' career consultants and academics explain.

"It's a very real phenomenon," says career strategist Anna Navarro. "People are really coming up against a brick wall."

The plateau trap isn't new, it's always been there, says Washington University professor Raymond Hilgert, noting the typical management "pyramid" puts one manager, the chief executive, at the top of the heap, which then expands downward. Still, "it's a more severe problem than it's ever been," he says. Observes Paul Sultan, pro-

fessor of management and economics at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville: "A lot of white collar and middle management people are nervous."

With good reason: Baby Boomers, the large, well-educated, post-war generation, are clogging the corporate ladder, so there's no shortage of qualified managers to fill even highly specialized jobs, says Navarro, of Work Transitions.

The nation's business schools, meanwhile, annually mint 20,000 to 80,000 grads with masters degrees in business administration, Hilgert says.

Then there's the "flattening" of corporate America, the wholesale erasing of entire management levels as U.S. companies respond to global competition, Sultan says. Locally, Monsanto Co. and Southwestern Bell Corp., among others, have cut management levels since about 1985.

Those job losses have increased dramatically, says Judith Bardwick, a San Diego psychologist who is the leading authority on the plateau trap, a phrase she originated. In 1989, she figures

111,285 managerial jobs were eliminated, that figure was nearly equalled in the first quarter of 1990 when 110,152 management positions were cut.

"Plateauing is a cold, hard fact," says Richard Large, coordinator of Southwestern Bell's management-career development system.

Managers caught in the trap often ask themselves: Is there something wrong with me? "It can wear a rut in their brain, in their psyche," Navarro says.

One solution to plateauing is for the trapped manager "to face the realities that they're not going to go any further," up the corporate ladder, Hilgert says.

A better solution is to redefine the word "success" to include more than a promotion every two years, says Max Lorenz, staff psychologist for Drake Beam Morin Inc., a Clayton job counseling firm. The expanded definition of success can include learning new skills, making a lateral move to a new division, or other job assignments that are meaningful to the manager, Bardwick says.

Lateral moves such as a marketing executive moving over to work in the sales department—taking on new responsibilities and challenges—are, by far, the most common method of breaking out of the plateau trap, says Robert Lefton, president of Psychological Associates, Clayton.

Drake Beam Morin has created Career Alliance, a program in which upper management explains the goals the company has for each of its divisions. White-collar workers then examine those plans and determine which jobs they might want or be suitable for, Lorenz says.

Monsanto and Southwestern Bell, in the final analysis, however, the manager is responsible for his own career, Large says.

Workers trapped on a plateau, who aren't advancing as rapidly as they want to, need to review their career options, Navarro says. She recommends a "peak experience" analysis, an exercise in which the worker examines those jobs that were the most rewarding and then looks for positions, both inside and outside the company.



**ACHIEVEMENTS CITED:** Liz Briggs, legislative chairman for Granite City Business and Professional Women, presents Barb Wyatt with a certificate of recognition for her contributions to the organization and community. Barb Wyatt, broker for D.W. Brown Realtors in Granite City, is currently president of the Granite City Board of Realtors. She has been a Million Dollar Real Estate salesperson 12 of the 13 years that she has been in real estate. She has received many honors for her accomplishments in business as well as her activities in the local organization.

## New physician on hospital staff

There's a new face on the medical staff at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. Dr. Jorge A. Covarrubias, OB/GYN, opened his practice at the Bellemore Medical Building in Granite City in February. His office is located at 3165 Myrtle Ave.

He also has a part-time practice in the Physician Office Building, 800 St. Louis Rd., in Collinsville, also operated by SEMC.

Dr. Covarrubias received his medical degree from the University of Mexico in 1989 and served his two-year residency in internal medicine at Missouri Baptist in St. Louis.

His chief residency was done at Jewish Hospital from 1973 to 1976, and he was then ready to start his first practice in Quincy, Ill.

In June of 1979 he opened a private practice, Valley Women's Care Center, in Phoenix, Ariz., where he was associated with John C. Lineo Hospital, Community Medical Center and Phoenix

Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Covarrubias learned of the OB/GYN position at SEMC from a friend of his, Dr. Alan Skirball. "Dr. Skirball was one of my teachers when I was at Jewish Hospital and we became good friends. He told me there was a need for an OB/GYN at St. Elizabeth."

So he moved his family, his wife and four children, back to the Midwest to take the position at SEMC, where they could live closer to his wife's parents.

As an obstetrician and gynecologist, Dr. Covarrubias has a special interest in infertility.

"Because of my interest in obstetrics and gynecology, I have attended conferences in Melbourne, Australia, where I was able to practice some of the latest techniques in infertility," he said. "I also am interested in using the new technologies of microsurgery, laser surgery and pelvoscopic operations."



**Jorge Covarrubias**  
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## Local man promoted at Andersen

C. Robert Farwell, managing partner of the St. Louis office of Andersen Consulting, has announced the promotion of Janet R. Matchett to manager.

Matchett resides in the 2300 block of Lynch Avenue in Granite City with her husband, Mike. Matchett is a 1981 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1986 graduate of Southern Illinois

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She is the daughter of Joe and Lorene Fox of Patterson, Mo. Andersen Consulting has helped organizations apply technology for competitive advantage since 1954, when it installed the first computer application for commercial use.

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## West given performance award

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This award is given to Aerospace Center employees for consistently exceeding the standard of performance for their position. It is awarded after an evaluation of the individual's performance during the previous 12-month period.

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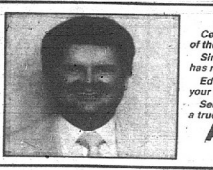
products are used in flights of all military aircraft, training in aircraft simulators, missile guidance systems and manned space missions.

## SIUE offers real estate classes

Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will offer six non-credit courses in real estate during the spring quarter.

The classes are in preparation for the Illinois salesperson license and broker license examinations.

Classes are scheduled to begin March 25. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the SIUE Office of Continuing Education at 682-3210.



## Heidke marks 40 years

GRANITE CITY — Dr. Walter B. Heidke celebrated the 40th anniversary of the beginning of his chiropractic practice on March 1.

Most of those 40 years were spent in Granite City. Heidke was the first Illinois-licensed chiropractor to practice in Granite City.

Through the years, while at the same time building a family practice, Heidke devoted a great deal of time to studying the structural effects of accidental trauma. As a result, his expert opinion has been much sought in legal situations.

Heidke and his wife, Mary, have been married for 46 years. Heidke-Rapoff Associates, where he practices, is located at the Crossroads Medical Center.

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## •Firing

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gone over his head. You didn't do anything wrong but the mayor is mad."

Buckels said Bennett told her the job had been promised to someone else, a part-time person the mayor was going to make full time.

For the next two days, Buckels went home and tried to get Ervin to call her about the job problem. She finally reached him after church Sunday morning. "He told me, 'I don't know why (Reed) hired you; there was nothing available.'"

Buckels said of Ervin: "At first, he said, 'Don't worry, I'll find you something.' But yesterday, he ended it with, 'There's nothing I can do.'"

Police Chief Reed declined to discuss Buckels' case.

"I have no comment on that. I just talked to her, and everything is straightened out," he said Tuesday afternoon.

Buckels, however, was still unhappy after talking to Reed. "He said, 'It's nothing you did. I thought the mayor knew about this,'" she said.

When asked why she was hired, Reed allegedly told her, "Mr. Ervin told me to."

"In fact, he said it twice," Buckels said.

Several calls to Mayor Echols

went unreturned this week. For his part, Ervin said he did not promise a job to Buckels, but that he did tell her to go to Reed to fill out an application.

"All the hiring comes through the mayor, we just make recommendations. I told Biri that a lady would be coming down. I didn't know anything about her even getting the job until she called me on the weekend."

Another Venice alderman, the Rev. John Henry Williams, whose sister is Buckels' mother-in-law, said the situation is emblematic of a community with a mayor who hires most employees. As an alderman, he has been contacted about jobs many times in the past and has always sent those people to Echols, Williams said.

"We've got some weak, sick aldermen, letting the mayor handle all the job hiring. We should have a personnel committee (to do the hiring)."

In Venice, all hirings except police and firefighters are done

through Mayor Echols. The others are handled through the police and fire commission.

"I don't have trouble with do it fair," Williams said. "Some people will never get a job unless they go through their aldermen."

But Ervin said he sees no reason to have a committee screen for hirings. "We've never had a civil service commission. It just has never been."

## •Ranks

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all promotions would be at the discretion of the board, based on the recommendation of the (police) chief. I'm not sure what it all really means, and I guess the commissioners have a lot to discuss.

"The City Council may have something specific in mind, but I have no idea what it could be," he said.

During the last two rounds of negotiations, the city's position has been that it only has "X" dollars budgeted for payroll, and any raises over and above that amount will result in cuts in manpower.

Mayor Von Dee Cruse has said, "If we're going to operate with a balanced budget, there is no way to (avoid) looking at the number and position of employees in every department."

The city is facing a budget deficit estimated at more than \$1 million.

Cruse said all departments will be looked at, and no specific department will be singled out. Arbitration affecting the police is scheduled for March 25, although the parties have agreed to meet again prior to that date.

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## •Trash

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Contrary to Gilleland's claim that the police "did nothing," a Press-Record reporter present at the police station March 11 watched the work crew, at the urging of the police department, fill six large trash bags with paper collected from a five-block area surrounding the station.

The lieutenant on duty at the time explained to Gilleland that, because the crew was picking up the trash, no charges would be sought against them.

Mayor Von Dee Cruse denied that no one had answered a call to his office.

Gilleland had been allowed to address the council under a suspension of the rules that normally require a person to request inclusion on the council agenda by Thursday to be allowed to speak the following Tuesday. The rules are intended to prevent unnecessary and undesirable waste of time.

The council Tuesday gave the two-thirds majority necessary to suspend the rules — an action that some obviously regretted.

Second Ward Alderman Jim Miller said, "I hope we learned a lesson from this ... and (will) keep it in mind when approached for suspension of the rules" in the future.

Fourth Ward Alderman Dan Partney, who had made the motion to allow Gilleland to speak, apologized to the council.

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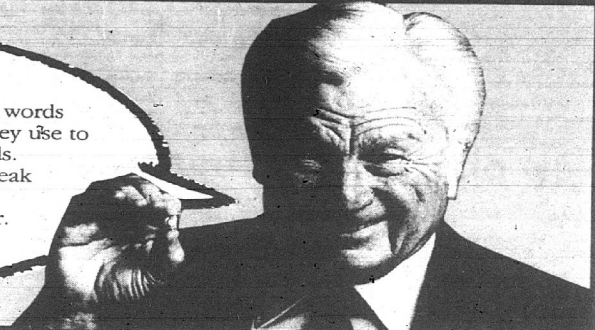
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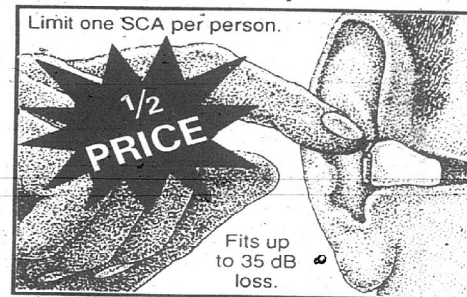
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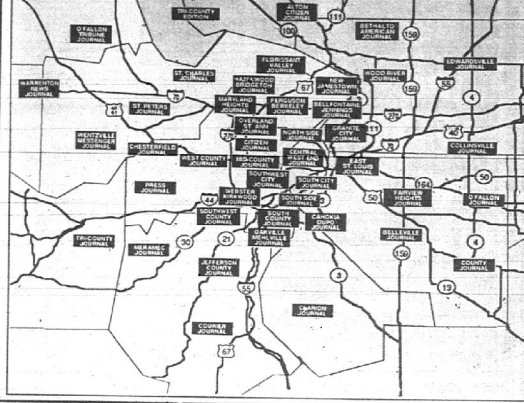
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